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TITLE: Bonding of solid lignocellulosic materials

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Abstract Text - ABTX (1):

Consolidated or composite lignocellulosic products such as fiberboard, particle board, chipboard, waferboard, plywood, straw composites, etc. are formed by using a particulate binder or adhesive constituting particles of crude cellulose polysaccharide materials, e.g. wood flour or ground straw, coated with MDI or other isocyanate binder in a thickness preferably in the range of 1-7 .mu.m.

Brief Summary Text - BSTX (30):

The source of the crude cellulose polysaccharide particles used in accordance with the present invention are bodies of plants, the major components of which are cellulose and hemicellulose. The stalks of a wide variety of plants can be used to provide the crude powdered cellulose polysaccharide material used in the present invention as all stalks of plants are composed basically of cellulose polysaccharide with a variety of other non-cellulose constituents. If the stalk of the plant in question contains at least 40% cellulose polysaccharide and less than 90% cellulose, it can be dried and used to form the crude cellulose polysaccharide powder of the present invention. Examples of such suitable materials are wood, wheat straw, rice straw, corn straw, hemp (if it becomes legal in the USA to use same), dried grass, rice hulls, bagasse, flax, stalks of other plants such as soya, cotton including recycled and shredded cotton fabrics, shredded regenerated cellulose fibers and fabrics such as rayon, shredded paper, etc. As indicated above, two good examples are wood flour and ground straw because they are plentiful and inexpensive. Substances which are associated with cellulose polysaccharides in plants, such as various gums, tanins, lignins, etc., usually do not interfere with surface activation by MDI.

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TITLE: Method of producing fibers from a straw and board  
products made therefrom

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Abstract Text - ABTX (1):

A method of refining wheat straw into fibers cuts the straw to a length of between about two and about four inches, wets the straw, softens the straw by subjecting the straw to pressurized steam and refines the softened straw in a pressurized mechanical refiner to produce fibers capable of being used in the manufacture of cellulosic board products. The straw fibers may be combined in any proportion to other fibers, such as wood fibers, and used in known dry, wet-dry, and wet board manufacturing processes to produce softboard, medium-density fiberboard, and hardboard products.

TITLE - TI (1):

Method of producing fibers from a straw and board products made therefrom

Detailed Description Text - DETX (17):

In the process of developing board products, the straw fiber may be combined in any desired proportion to fiber developed from one or more other sources of fiber including, but not limited to, wood chips and other wood products, waste paper, and fibrous plants like rice, jute, and hemp. The straw fiber and other fiber combination may also be used according to any suitable method to produce cellulosic materials. If such a fiber combination is used in a wet process, it is preferable to mix the different types of fibers consistently throughout the slurry used in that process, i.e., to assure that the fibers are evenly blended. This mixing may be accomplished through the use of a cyclone agitator that mixes the straw fibers and the other fibers with water until the fiber content of the mixture is, e.g., about 4 wt.%. The agitator vigorously agitates this mixture to blend the fibers evenly throughout the mixture and delivers the blended fiber/water mixture to the chest 24.



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TITLE: Method of manufacture of paperboard

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Abstract Text - ABTX (1):

A method of producing a multi-ply paperboard comprising at least one ply high bulk fibers sandwiched between at least two plies of conventional papermaking fibers. In a preferred embodiment, high bulk fibers characterized by twists, kinks and curls are produced by mechanical deformation without substantial fibrillation or breakage of the fibers, as by dry hammermilling or wet milling of the fibers. An aqueous foam furnish is preferred for laying the ply containing high bulk fibers.

TITLE - TI (1):

Method of manufacture of paperboard

Detailed Description Text - DETX (1):

In the production of paperboard by the process of this invention, fibers heretofore used in the manufacture of paperboard may be employed. Typically, conventional fibers are natural cellulosic fibers and include those obtained from wood pulp, cotton, hemp, bagasse, straw, flax and other plant sources, wood pulp being the most common. The wood pulp fibers can be derived from either hardwood or softwood pulps, and generally have fiber lengths ranging from about 1.0 to 6.0 mm. The pulps may be obtained by any of the conventional processes for preparing the fibers, for example, groundwood, cold soda, sulfite, or sulfate pulps, and may be bleached or unbleached.

US-PAT-NO: 4221751

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TITLE: Articles molded from papermill sludge

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Abstract Text - ABTX (1):

An article, such as a pallet having a substantially flat deck member and a plurality of hollow legs projecting from the deck member, is molded as a one-piece unit from a papermill sludge. Dried, comminuted papermill sludge is blended with a fibrous reinforcing material, preferably a cellulosic material such as fibrous bark particles, and a resinous particle **board** binder, the resulting mixture of furnish is formed into a loosely fitted mat, and the mat is placed between dies of a mold and press and compressed to substantially the desired shape under temperature and pressure conditions sufficient to bond the sludge and bark particles together.

Detailed Description Text - DETX (6):

The fibrous reinforcing material includes natural and synthetic materials in fiber or strand-like form. To minimize cost, the fibrous reinforcing material preferably is a waste or scrap material, particularly waste wood products from lumber manufacture and wood pulping operations, such as bark, shavings, veneer and pulp chips, wood pulp, flakes, and the like. Other suitable **fibrous** reinforcing materials include other tree components, such as leaves, evergreen needles, etc. and other cellulosic materials such as scrap paper and paperboard, rags, **straw**, corn stalks, **hemp**, flax, jute and the like. Generally, natural or processed cellulosic materials are preferred. Bark is particularly suitable and the process will be described with bark being used as a fibrous reinforcing material. The composition of the furnish and general process parameters discussed below are applicable to other reinforcing materials.

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TITLE: Reconstituted **board** products from plant-fiber residues

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TITLE - TI (1):

Reconstituted **board** products from plant-fiber residues

Brief Summary Text - BSTX (10):

In accordance with the present invention, the above and other objects were found surprisingly to be satisfied by a particular application in particleboard preparation of certain fibers heretofore produced as by-products and considered to be nuisance wastes and residues in the processing of plants for other products, such as for wood, fruits, nuts, grains, extracts, and the like. More specifically, those waste fibers found useful in the present invention are those woody fibers which are found in plants in regions thereof extraneous to and removed from the main stalk or supporting member of the plant. Such non-stalk woody fibers, for example, include those found in plants in an outer coating for the supporting stalk of the plant, such as in tree bark; in foliage on a plant stalk, such as in leaves and needles; and in coatings or supporting structure for seeds, such as in shells, hulls, husks, pits, and the like, e.g., peanut shells, date pits, rice hulls, sunflower seed husks, corn cobs, and coffee bean solids (i.e., coffee grounds). For the purposes of this description, such woody fibers are called "exo-stalk plant fibers" or "exo-s-plant fibers", and it is to be understood that such terms when used herein are intended to refer to the above described type of woody fibers, in contrast to "stalk plant fibers" or as they are sometimes referred to herein, "s-plant fibers". S-plant **fibers** include, for example, **fibers** found in sawed boards from trees, corn stalks, **bagasse, hemp**, cotton stalk, kenaf stalk and the like.

US-PAT-NO: 3870665

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TITLE: Process for making pressure molded lignocellulose articles comprising isocyanurate group forming mold release agent

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Abstract Text - ABTX (1):

Plywood, fiberboard and other compression molded articles are prepared by compression molding wood chips or other lignocellulose material with an organic polyisocyanate and a catalyst which promotes reaction of isocyanato groups to form isocyanurates.

Brief Summary Text - BSTX (23):

The following lignocellulose-containing materials may be produced by the process according to the invention without the mold release agents or separating processes normally required when isocyanate binders are used: 1. Boards or moldings made of lignocellulose-containing material in the form of powders, fibers, chips or granules such as size reduced wood or straw, flax, sisal, hemp, sugarcane bagasse, savana grass, bamboo, peanut shells, rice husks and cork scrap. The lignocellulose material is first mixed in the usual manner with about 1 percent to 100 percent by weight (based on dry substance) of the isocyanate based binder or impregnating agent. As already mentioned above, the mold release agent may be added either at the same time as the binder or separately, optionally with the addition of solvents. It is preferred to use mixtures of polyisocyanates and mold release agents according to the invention which can be stored at room temperature. In a similar manner, the material may also be mixed with conventional binders as well as with protective agents against destruction by insects, molds or fire. The material is then compression molded, generally at elevated temperature and pressure. 2. Boards or moldings of veneers, paper or fabrics which are treated as described under 1 and then generally pressed at elevated temperature and pressure. 3. Multilayered boards or moldings of veneers and middle layers in the form of strips or rods, so-called joiner plates, in which the veneers are treated as

described under 1, and then pressed with the middle layers, generally at elevated temperature and pressure.



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TITLE: Composite sports board such as a skateboard deck

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Abstract Paragraph - ABTX (1):

A composite material for use as a skateboard deck or other sports board is disclosed. The composite skateboard deck of the preferred embodiment is comprised of two structural layers bonded to and on either side of a light, flexible core. The structural layers made of a strong, resilient material comprised of a natural fiber-embedded-matrix, this class of materials including grasses such as bamboo, hemp and kanaf. The composite skateboard deck of the present invention is strong, light, durable, resilient, environmentally friendly, and derived from a more renewable resource with no loss of pop or memory.

Title - TTL (1):

Composite sports board such as a skateboard deck

Detail Description Paragraph - DETX (6):

[0020] Referring to FIG. 4, the composite skateboard deck 101 of the preferred embodiment is illustrated in cross section perpendicular to the longitudinal axis 116 (see FIG. 2) to show the constituent layers. The first structural layer 111 and the second structural layer 112 are the primary load-bearing members and support the weight and dynamic forces exerted by the rider. The first and second structural layers are separated by a relatively light, flexible core 113 comprised of one or more plies or layers. According to the present invention, the sports board includes at least one and preferably two or more structural layers constructed from a strong, resilient material of natural fiber-embedded-matrix. This class includes materials having bundles of cellulose fibers running the length of the pole, or culm, embedded in a matrix such as pectin. Grasses such as bamboo, hemp and kanaf qualify as strong, resilient materials of natural fiber-embedded-matrix and are particularly well suited for constructing durable, high-performance sports boards.

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Brief Summary Text - BSTX (11):

The known applications of xylanases are numerous. For instance, the treatment of forages with xylanases (along with cellulases) to increase the rate of acid production, thus ensuring better quality silage and improvement in the subsequent rate of plant cell wall digestion by ruminants has been described. Xylanases can be used to treat rye, and other cereals with a high arabinoxylan content to improve the digestibility of cereal by poultry and swine. Xylanases can be used in bioconversion involving the hydrolysis of xylan to xylooligosaccharides and xylose which may serve as growth substrates for microorganisms. This could involve simultaneous saccharification and fermentation. Xylanases can be used in biopulping to treat cellulose pulps to remove xylan impurities or to produce pulps with different characteristics. In some cases they can be applied to reduce the amount of chlorine needed to bleach the pulp and reduce the energy needed for refining pulp. Further, xylanases are useful in the retting of flax fibers, the clarification of fruit juices, the preparation of dextrans for use as food thickeners and the production of fluids and juices from plant materials.

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[54] XYLANASE OBTAINED FROM AN ANAEROBIC FUNGUS

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[57] ABSTRACT

A xylanase gene, denoted xynC, encoding a novel xylanase (XynC) obtained from the anaerobic fungus *Neocallimastix patriciarum* is provided. The DNA sequence of the xynC gene is also provided. Transformation of microbial and plant hosts with the xynC gene is described. The xynC gene may be used to design probes for use in hybridization experiments to isolate xylanase genes from other anaerobic fungi. The xynC gene has been used to construct an oleosin-xynC expression construct encoding an oleosin-xylanase fusion protein which retains xylanase activity. Transgenic *Brassica napus* (canola), transformed with the oleosin-xynC expression construct, expresses the oleosin-xylanase fusion protein which is immobilized in the oil-body membrane of the *B. napus* seeds. Canola meal, the protein-rich residue left after canola oil is extracted from canola plants, when derived from the transgenic *B. napus* of the present invention, retains substantial xylanase activity, making it an ideal animal feed supplement.

18 Claims, 6 Drawing Sheets

	Document ID	Title
12	US 6165769 A	Pectin degrading enzymes from
13	US 6124127 A	Pectate lyase
14	US 6066233 A	Method of improving pulp free
15	US 3649292 A	RECOVERY OF PRODUCTS

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using cellulase and pectinase enzymes

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An article by Pommier, *Paper Technology*, p.50, October 1991, showed use of a cellulase product called Liftase A40 (now called Pergalase RTM. A40 available from Ciba-Geigy, Greensboro, N.C., 27419) for use in the pulp and paper industry in deinking and refining processes.

The use of a combination of enzymes are disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 4,891,096 to Akkawi and U.S. Pat. No. 5,103,883 to Viikari which describe use of pectinase, hemicellulase and cellulase enzymes in combination for biochemical retting of hemp and for debarking of logs, respectively.

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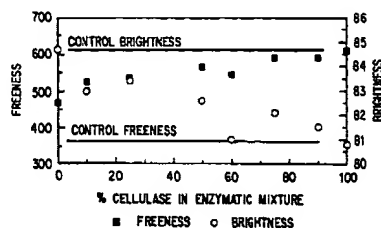
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## [57] ABSTRACT

A method for enhancing the freeness of pulp made from secondary fiber is provided by adding an enzymatic mixture comprised of cellulase and pectinase enzymes to the pulp and treating under conditions to cause a reaction to produce an enzymatically treated pulp. The freeness of the enzymatically treated pulp is increased from the initial freeness of the secondary fiber pulp without a loss in brightness.

**15 Claims, 14 Drawing Sheets**



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9	Pressure-sensitive adhesive polyacrylat	
10	Filter element	
11	Method of modifying cellulosic wood fi	
12	Adhesive coated dressing and applicato	

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As noted above, the superheated oven causes the aqueous binders, applied previously to the fibrous product, to boil and foam. When the bubbles have been formed in the superheated oven, causing non-connecting pores, they afterwards burst and shrink under the temporary or stationary physical form of a skeleton, now having connected pores. Although the effect is not completely understood, it is a fact that the successively more viscous binder --created after bubbling, bursting and shrinking--under the evaporation-shrinkage draws fibers and fiber ends together, thus making firm crossing joints. If the fibers are fibrillated, some fibrils are drawn into the respective fibers and other fibrils to other fibers and other fibrils finally producing a more or less interlocking three-dimensional structure of the fibrous product. This is an enhanced form of binding a fibrous product, whereby the binder links the fibers and their fibrils where they cross each other, preventing an unwanted and costly gluing all over the fibers in a fibrous product, which is the result of some conventional methods.

# United States Patent [19]

## Kroyer

 Patent Number: 5,266,250  
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- [34] METHOD OF MODIFYING CELLULOSIC WOOD FIBERS AND USING SAID FIBERS FOR PRODUCING FIBROUS PRODUCTS
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### ABSTRACT

A method is provided of producing fibrous product from cellulosic wood fiber. First, a layer of this fiber material is deposited on a moving wire. A binding agent in an aqueous solution is then added to the fiber material. Next, the fiber material is moved through a superheated oven having a minimal amount of moving air to cause a lively boiling of the aqueous solution. The fiber material is then dried. In one embodiment, a mixture of alkali treated and acid treated fiber material is deposited on the moving wire.

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22	US 3965229 A	Method of manufacturing a foil
23	US 3880705 A	EXPANDING FIBROUS OR
24	US 3639199 A	REINFORCED LAMINATE

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For instance, by reinforcing two tissue grade papers of basis weight 0.63 oz./yd. sup. 2 with two cross-laid layers of fibrillated polypropylene film of tenacity 3 g.p.d., each layer having a basis weight of 0.24 oz./yd. sup. 2, bonding the four layers with 0.15 oz./yd. sup. 2 of adhesive applied by spraying, calendering the laminate under 10 pounds per lineal inch, the following properties were obtained:

As above indicated, any suitable adhesive may be used. It has been found that with polyethylene or polypropylene as the fibrillated film, BOSTIK SI-1920, a water-based adhesive from USM Chemical Co. Middleton, Mass. 01949, Jedbon water-based adhesive from Jedco Chemical Corp., 601 North MacQuester Parkway Mount Vernon, New York 10552, and Hycar (P2100.times.20), a solvent-based adhesive manufactured by B. F. Goodrich were very satisfactory. Normally, a print-type bond will be used wherein the webs are adhered together at spaced locations or the adhesive will be sprayed.

As indicated above, the central reinforcing layer may be formed of one or more fibrillated webs. When a plurality of reinforcing webs are to be used, they may be presecured together or secured to the cellulose layers and then secured together. Cellulose fibers or mixtures of cellulosic and synthetic fibers can be deposited onto the adhesive-covered surface to produce a laminated reinforced nonwoven web of the type contemplated. Such discrete fibers can be deposited on the reinforcing layer by any suitable well-known means, such as by flocking, air-laying or the like.

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## (54) REINFORCED LAMINATE PRODUCT

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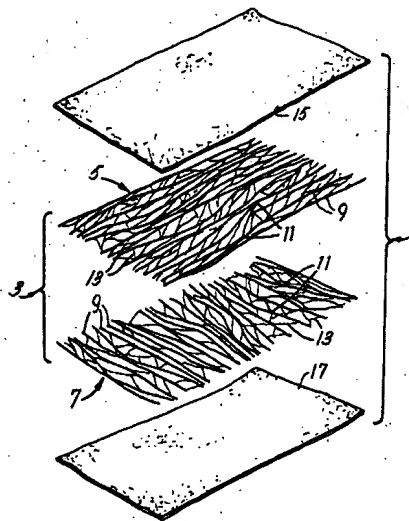
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## ABSTRACT

A laminated, nonwoven fabric product and method of making same comprising a central reinforcing web of fibrillated sheet plastic material having a plurality of substantially parallel fibers integrally interconnected at spaced points along their length and outer layers formed of cellulosic material.

7 Claims, 1 Drawing Figure



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The binders of this invention are particularly useful as binders for fiber webs. Examples of fiber webs are webs of cellulose, cellulose acetate, esters and ethers of cellulose, cotton, hemp, animal fibers, such as wool or hairs and especially webs of synthetic or inorganic fibers, eg. aramid, carbon, acrylic, polyester, mineral, PVC or glass fibers.

United States Patent [19]

Hummerich et al.

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[54] FORMALDEHYDE-FREE AQUEOUS BINDERS

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[57] ABSTRACT

Formaldehyde-free aqueous binders comprise

A) a polymer containing from 5 to [lacuna] % by weight of units derived from an ethylenically unsaturated acid anhydride or from an ethylenically unsaturated dicarboxylic acid whose carboxyl groups can form an anhydride group, and

B) an alkanolamine having at least two hydroxyl groups.

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When the latex polymer is used as a binder, the fibers may be in the form of nonwoven mats or webs in which they are ordered or are randomly distributed. The web can be formed by carding when the fibers are of such a character, by virtue of length and flexibility, as to be amenable to the carding operation. The fibers may comprise natural textile fibers such as cellulose, jute, sisal, ramie, hemp and cotton, as well as many of the synthetic organic textile fibers including rayon, those of cellulose esters such as cellulose acetate, vinyl resin fibers such as those of polyvinyl chloride and copolymers thereof, polyacrylonitrile and copolymers thereof, polyesters such as poly(ethylene terephthalate), polymers and copolymers of olefins such as ethylene and propylene, condensation polymers such as polyimides or nylon types, and the like. The fibers used can be those of a single composition or mixtures of fibers in a given web.

## United States Patent [19]

Garrett

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[34] FORMALDEHYDE-FREE, SELF-CURING  
INTERPOLYMERS AND ARTICLES  
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[57] ABSTRACT

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An interpolymer that is substantially dehydrated and that does not evolve

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decomposes to produce any substantial amount of formaldehyde, is used in the production of impregnated or treated paper, woven and nonwoven fabrics. The interpolymer is produced in latest form by polymerizing in the presence of water, as emulsifier and in initiator, a monomer charge containing at least one polymerizable ethylenically unsaturated monomer and a N-alkylol amide of an alpha, beta ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid where the alkylol group contains at least two carbon atoms. Alternatively, the N-alkylol amide can be produced *in situ* by the reaction of amide of an alpha, beta ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid with the corresponding aldehyde to form an ester and the N-alkylol amide having at least two carbon atoms in the alkylol group.

### Related U.S. Application Data

polymer is produced in latex form by polymerizing in the presence of water, an emulsifier and in initiator, a monomer charge containing at least one polymerizable ethylenically unsaturated monomer and a N-alkylolamide of an alpha, beta ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid where the alkylol group contains at least two carbon atoms. Alternatively, the N-alkylol amide can be produced in situ by the reaction of amide of an alpha, beta ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid with the corresponding aldehyde to give the desired N-alkylol amide having at least two carbon atoms in the alkylol group.

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monomer charge containing at least one polymerizable ethylenically unsaturated monomer and a N-alkylol amide of an alpha, beta ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid where the alkylol group contains at least two carbon atoms. Alternatively, the N-alkylol amide can be produced *in situ* by the reaction of amide of an alpha, beta ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid with the corresponding aldehyde to give the desired N-alkylol amide having at least two carbon atoms in the alkylol group.

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amide or an alpha, beta ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid where the alkyl group contains at least two carbon atoms. Alternatively, the N-alkylol amide can be produced *in situ* by the reaction of amide of an alpha, beta ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid with the corresponding aldehyde to give the desired N-alkylol amide having at least two carbon atoms in the alkyl group.

[58] Field of Search ..... 526/304, 329:3, 329.4

can be produced in situ by the reaction of amide of an alpha, beta ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid with the corresponding aldehyde to give the desired N-alkylol amide having at least two carbon atoms in the alkylol group.

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with the corresponding aldehyde to give the desired N-alkylol amide having at least two carbon atoms in the alkylol group.

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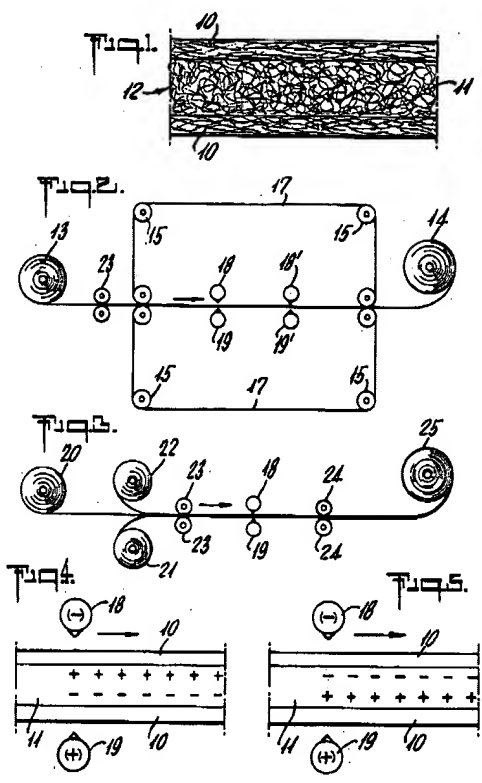
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The filtration medium is composed of fibers which have dielectric properties. The contact web, which is in contact with such fibers, is composed of material which will conduct the electrical charge to the dielectric filtration medium. The fibers in the dielectric filtration medium are thermoplastic and are made of a polyolefin such as polypropylene or polyethylene or may be made from polycarbonates or polyhalocarbons. The contact web may be a woven or nonwoven web made of cellulosic fiber such as cotton, rayon, woodpulp or hemp or mixtures of these fibers, or may be a nonwoven web made from highly dielectric fibers but bonded together with a conductive binder. The nonwoven webs contain an adhesive binder. The contact web will conduct the electrostatic charge but has poorer dielectric properties than the filtration medium fibers and will not maintain any significant charge.

The contact webs which are used in the present process may be woven or nonwoven webs made from cotton, rayon, or mixtures of cotton and rayon with woodpulp or other fibers such as hemp and may contain conductive fibers containing dispersed carbon. These webs, if nonwoven, may be bonded by any conventional, nonwoven bonding system which may employ a hydrophilic or hydrophobic binder. The contact web which is employed in the present process does not maintain the charge which is maintained by the filtration web. The nonwoven contact webs may also be made from non-cellulosic fibers such as polyethylene, polypropylene, polyamide or polyester and bonded with a binder that is conductive so that the conductivity of the contact web is greater than the conductivity of the filtration medium web. The weight of the contact web may vary from 0.3 ounces per square yard to about 6 ounces per square yard.





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26 US 4242497 A	Production of amino-silicate c
27 US 4185147 A	Production of amino-silicate c
28 US 4176108 A	Heat-coagulable latex binders
29 US 4106163 A	Apparatus for the dry product

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process for the preparation thereof

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The copolymer latex binder of this invention may be used to prepare chemically bonded, nonwoven fiber material by impregnation of a nonwoven web with the binder. Any fiber which has the required specifications to be formed into a nonwoven web may be used for this purpose. The fibers from which the webs may be made include natural fibers such as cotton, wool, silk, cellulose, sisal, cantala, henequen, hemp, jute and kenaf. Synthetic fibers may also be employed and include rayon; cellulose esters such as cellulose acetate and cellulose triacetate; proteinaceous fibers such as those made from casein; polyamides such as nylon; polyesters such as polyethylene glycol terephthalate; acrylic fibers containing a minimum of about 85% acrylonitrile copolymerized with vinyl chloride, vinyl acetate, vinyl pyridine, methacrylonitrile, or the like and the so-called modacrylic fibers containing smaller amounts of acrylonitrile; vinyl resin fibers such as the copolymer of vinyl chloride and vinyl acetate; fibers obtained from the formal derivatives of polyvinyl alcohol; olefin fibers such as polyethylene and polypropylene; siliceous fibers such as glass and mineral wools; and the like.

## United States Patent [19]

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[34] HEAT-COAGULABLE LATEX BINDERS  
AND PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION  
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## [57] ABSTRACT

An improved latex binder for nonwoven webs comprising an acrylate- and/or vinyl acetate-based copolymer containing 0.1–10% by weight of 2-hydroxyethyl or 2-hydroxypropyl acrylate or methacrylate is prepared by employing in combination with the copolymer 0.2–10% by weight, on latex solids, of anionic surfactant and 0.3–15% by weight, on latex solids, of nonionic surfactant in selected relative proportions and by adding to the copolymer 1–40% by weight, on latex solids, of a water-soluble salt. The resultant binder is characterized by being stable to coagulation at room temperature but coagulable at a temperature between 40° and 85° C. In the preparation of nonwoven fiber material, a nonwoven web is impregnated with the copolymer latex binder, heated to a temperature of within 40° and 85° C. sufficient to coagulate the binder within the web and thus prevent migration, and finally dried to form a chemically bonded, nonwoven fiber material in sheet form.

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29	US 4106163 A	Apparatus for the dry product
30	US 4012281 A	Wet laid laminate and method

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non-woven webs

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The constituents of these webs may be fibrous, such as mineral fibres of asbestos, glass, and ceramics, vegetable fibres such as flax and cotton, animal fibres such as wool and silk, organic fibres which may be thermoplastic (polyamide, acrylic . . . ), thermo hardenable (polyimide, polyesters . . . ) or thermo stable. The particulate constituents may also include particles in granular or powder form, such as particles of resins, in particular thermo-hardenable resins of vulcanised and unvulcanised elastomers, of particles of binding agents: these binding agents may be thermo-hardenable (for example phenolic resins, modified phenolic resins, epoxy resins, polyester resins), thermoplastic (for example on a base of polyethylene, polystyrene, polypropylene), thermostable (for example polyimides) or they may be crude powder elastomers.

# United States Patent [19]

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[54] APPARATUS FOR THE DRY PRODUCTION OF NON-WOVEN WEBS

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## [37] ABSTRACT

A nonwoven uniform web is formed from particulate material and a binding agent in a moving conveyor belt. The material is fed to the belt through a cowl in a random fashion and air is removed from the material; the layer of material is subsequently thinned by a peak removal device and is precondensed, rolled and then heated to activate the binding agent. The resulting web has similar mechanical properties in length direction and width direction, and has a high elastic recovery.

13 Claims, 2 Drawing Figures

